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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

WRIT PETITION (PIL) No. 5030 of 2007

PETITIONER : Bajrang Lal Kedia Shivri Narayan, Distt. Janjgir-Champa (C.G.)

VERSUS

RESPONDENTS : 1. The Secretary, Ministry of Forest Affairs, Mantralaya, D.K.S. Bhawan, Raipur (C.G.)
2. State of Chhattisgarh through the Collector, Distt. Janjgir-Champa (C.G.)
3. The Forest Ranger, Forest Circle, Distt. Janjgir-Champa (C.G.)

OFFICE REFERENCE

Coram : Hon'ble Shri Jagdish Bhalla, Acting Chief Justice &
Hon'ble Shri Satish K. Agnihotri J.

Present None for the petitioner.
Shri Y.S.Thakur, Government Advocate for the State/respondents.

ORAL ORDER
(Passed on 09th day of October, 2007)

The following order of the Court was passed by **Hon'ble Jagdish Bhalla, Acting C.J.**:

This is a letter petition wherein specific allegations have been made that in Chitrotpala Ganga area at Shivrinarayan, District Janjgir-Champa, the birds are being killed by Shikaris.

The return has been filed on behalf of the State and it has been admitted, as informed by the Government counsel, that hunting of birds is being done. It is an unfortunate state of affairs. It is high time that effective steps be taken by the authorities to ensure that no hunting takes place, unless otherwise provided under Section 11 and 12 of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 (hereinafter referred to as 'the Act, 1972). Further, we feel that large publicity be given to the fact that no hunting is permissible unless otherwise provided under Section 11 and 12 of the Act, 1972. It is further provided that those who violates the law should be dealt strictly in accordance with law. The government shall seriously take up the matter

because there appears to be some negligence on the part of the Government officials and therefore, the hunting is taking place. Necessary steps be taken so as the same mistake is not repeated time and again.

With these observations, this petition stands disposed of.

Sd/-
Acting Chief Justice

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Satish K. Agnihotri
Judge

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